

HOUSE BILL No. 1551

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-46-13.

Synopsis: Health entitlement fund. Establishes the health entitlement fund to be administered by the Indiana association of public health physicians local health department organization. Appropriates \$15,040,000 annually to the fund. Annually distributes from the fund \$160,000 to each local board of health and each city health department in Indiana.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 16, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-46-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2003]: **Chapter 13. Health Entitlement Fund**

4 **Sec. 1. (a) The health entitlement fund is established to**
5 **distribute additional money to each local board of health and each**
6 **city health department in Indiana. The fund shall be administered**
7 **by the Indiana association of public health physicians local health**
8 **department organization and consists of appropriations made by**
9 **the general assembly.**

10 **(b) The expenses of administering the fund shall be paid from**
11 **money in the fund.**

12 **(c) The treasurer of state shall invest the money in the fund not**
13 **currently needed to meet the obligations of the fund in the same**
14 **manner as other public funds may be invested. Interest that**
15 **accrues from these investments shall be deposited in the fund.**

16 **(d) Money in the fund at the end of a state fiscal year does not**
17 **revert to the state general fund.**



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1 **Sec. 2.** There is annually appropriated to the health entitlement
2 fund established by section 1 of this chapter fifteen million forty
3 thousand dollars (\$15,040,000) from the state general fund to carry
4 out the purposes of this chapter.

5 **Sec. 3. (a)** The Indiana association of public health physicians
6 local health department organization shall annually distribute one
7 hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000) to each local board of
8 health and each city health department in Indiana.

9 **(b)** The Indiana association of public health physicians local
10 health department organization shall make the distributions
11 required under subsection (a) from money in the health entitlement
12 fund.

13 **Sec. 4. (a)** Each city shall establish a city health fund for the
14 deposit of the distribution received under section 3 of this chapter.

15 **(b)** Money in the city health fund may be used only for the
16 following purposes:

17 **(1)** The addition of professional and support staff to perform
18 essential public health services and bioterrorism, disaster, and
19 emergency preparedness.

20 **(2)** The purchase of equipment and supplies to support
21 additional personnel.

22 **Sec. 5.** The city clerk-treasurer and county auditor shall deposit
23 the distribution received under section 3 of this chapter into the
24 city health fund and the county health fund, respectively.

25 **Sec. 6.** The handling and expenditure of money distributed to a
26 local board of health or a city health department under section 3
27 of this chapter is subject to audit and supervision by the state
28 board of accounts. The state board of accounts shall provide a copy
29 of each audit to the Indiana association of public health physicians
30 local health department organization.

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